



**POLICE FORCE,
(DETECTIVE BRANCH.)**

Shanghai Municipal Council.

May 15th 1918.

Sir, Special precautions were taken at the Arsenal yesterday when the firing by the S.V.C. at Yangtsepoo was heard. It is reported that some soldiers went to a shop in Pah Da Deu 八度 [?] Pootung on 14th instant and ordered some rice on credit. The shopkeeper declined to accommodate them and a quarrel arose. Finally a headman of the village went security for the soldiers and they were supplied. The situation was grave for a time and the people of the village were greatly alarmed. It is reported that a rebel leader named Ohu Tsung 吳正 has received instructions from the rebels in Shantung to proceed to that province with his followers. Chen Chi Mei and his party are very jealous because of this.

It is reported that several rice boats bound from Wusieh and Zangchow for Shanghai have been robbed. In consequence of this other rice boats are afraid to come and a big increase in the price of rice may result.

Brigadier General Wong Ping 王平 an officer of the Shanghai garrison, left for Nanking on 14th inst.

At present there are about thirty boats containing several hundred rebels on the Chekiang side of the Tahoo Lake. These are the men who were driven away from Wukiang by Government troops. They are apparently not recognised by the Chekiang Authorities who decline to disperse them or take control over them and the Military Authorities of this province cannot take any action without upsetting the arrangement made to keep the northern troops for the time being, away from the territory which is under the jurisdiction of the Authorities of Chekiang.

Yours Obedient Servant,

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Captain Superintendent of Police.

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